Mr. S. Piraviperumal Pillai : May I know whether this practice is prevailing elsewhere ?

Mr. James Simpson : It is the considered opinion of the Darbar Physician that it should not take place in Government institutions and final orders of Government are awaited.

Contributions in aid of the Christian Colleges in India.

45. ***Mr. J. John Kattakayam :** Will the Government be pleased to state ;

(*a*) whether the new Viceroy has made an appeal on 28-6-1936 for the contribution of one lakh of pounds in aid of the Christian Colleges in India ; and

(*b*) whether the Travancore Government have taken any action on the above request ?

Mr. C. V. Chandrasekharan : (*a*) Government have no information.

(*b*) This does not arise in view of the answer to part (*a*).

In-patients in the Fort Hospital.

46. ***Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai :** Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether in-patients are admitted for treatment in the Fort Hospital, Trivandrum ;

(*b*) if so, whether doctors are posted in that hospital for night duty ; and

(*c*) whether it is a fact that, because no doctors are posted for night duty in the Fort Hospital, in-patients are put to serious hardship and trouble ?

Mr. James Simpson : (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) As there are only six beds there is no need for a doctor to be on night duty. Emergencies occurring at night will be attended to by the Medical Officer on being intimated about the same by the subordinate on duty in the hospital.

Mr. M. N. Paramesvaran Pillai : With reference to answer to part (*c*) may I know who is the subordinate officer posted for duty during night ?

Mr. James Simpson : It may be a warder or waterman or other menial. The Darbar Physician has received no complaint of inadequacy of attention during night.

Defalcation in the Science College.

47. ***Mr. J. John Kattakayam :** Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether in regard to the defalcation in the Science College, it was ordered that a sum of Rs. 10,730 chs. 3 cash 4 should be paid up ; and

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(*b*) whether any change has been effected in the method of keeping accounts in the Science College?

Mr. C. V. Chandrasekharan: (*a*) No.

(*b*) Yes.

Punishment of officers for defalcation in the Science College.

48. ***Mr. J. John Kattakayam:** Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the members of both the Houses of the Legislature had, during the Budget Session of 1110, complained about the defalcation in the Science College and pointed out the inadequacy of the punishment given to Messrs. C. V. Chandrasekharan and Moudgill who were responsible for it;

(*b*) whether the President had then replied that the persons responsible for this were degraded temporarily and that they would be given adequate punishments with the final decision of the case;

(*c*) the reason why the above persons are not awarded exemplary punishments although the case has been finally decided; and

(*d*) the person from whom the misappropriated amount is proposed to be realised?

Rao Bahadur Rajyasevaniratha Dr. N. Kunjan Pillai: (*a*) No; while some members pointed out the inadequacy of the punishment, others said that the punishment was unmerited.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) This question does not arise in view of the answer to part (*b*) above.

(*d*) The Government have sanctioned the amount involved in the misappropriation being written off the accounts.

Defalcation of money in the Science College.

49. ***Mr. J. John Kattakayam:** Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) who were the persons punished in connection with the defalcation of money in the Science College;

(*b*) whether the amount of money lost by the Government was realised; and

(*c*) if not, from whom it is proposed to be realised?

Mr. C. V. Chandrasekharan: (*a*), (*b*) and (*c*). The member is referred to paragraphs 15 and 23 of the Report of the Public Accounts Committee on the Audit and Appropriation Accounts of 1109 M. E. and to Chapter III, page 123, of the Audit and Appropriation Report for 1110 M. E.

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